

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
POWER
LOK SABHA**

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NATIONAL POWER POLICY
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Power Ministry has laid down a set of rules which are crucial for the implementation of the Electricity Act;
- (b) if so, whether the Ministry was required to come out with some guidelines by June, 2005;
- (c) whether Electricity Act made it mandatory for Government to come up with such clarifications within two years from the date of the Act coming into force; and
- (d) if so, the extent to which these rules have been able to improve power position in the country?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF POWER(SHRI P.M. SAYEED)

(a) : Under the provisions of the Electricity Act, 2003, which has come into force from 10th June, 2003, Central Government has notified various rules, guidelines, orders as well as the National Electricity Policy in the form of gazette notifications / resolutions.

(b)&(c): Section 183 (1) of the Electricity Act, 2003, is reproduced below:-

‘If any difficulty arises in giving effect to the provisions of this Act, the Central Government may, by order published, make such provisions not inconsistent with the provisions of this Act, as may appear to be necessary for removing the difficulty:

Provided that no order shall be made under this section after the expiry of two years from the date of commencement of this Act.’

10th June, 2003 being the appointed date for commencement of the Act, any order under section 183 could be issued on or before 9th June, 2005.

(d) : Various rules, orders etc. issued under the provisions of the Act are required for carrying out the provisions of the Act so that the objective of the legislation can be achieved.